

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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November 23, 2004

FROM: **DAVID H. SLAUGHTER**, Director
Real Estate Services Department

PATRICK J. MEAD, Director
Department of Public Works - Transportation

**SUBJECT: APPRAISAL AND ACQUISITION OF ROAD EASEMENTS AND A TEMPORARY
RIGHT OF ENTRY – REDLANDS – MENTONE AREA**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve Appraisal No. 04-34, dated September 28, 2004, copies of which are on file with Real Estates Services Department (RESA).
2. Authorize RESA to acquire the necessary rights-of-way from two parcels on the northeast and northwest corners of State Highway 38 and Wabash Avenue, and one temporary right of entry from one parcel on the north side of State Highway 38 in the Redlands-Mentone area.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On November 9, 1999, the Board approved the submittal of a proposed project list to the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) for projects for the San Bernardino County South Coast Air Basin. From the County's list of proposed projects, the Wabash Avenue and State Highway 38 signal construction project competed successfully and was awarded \$173,250 from CMAQ funding by the SANBAG Board. Signalization of this congested intersection will improve traffic flow and thereby reduce vehicle emissions caused by the prolonged idling of engines. The traffic congestion is over a half-mile or more in each direction as commuters head to work and when Redlands East Valley High School students are entering or exiting the school grounds. On average, about 17,800 vehicles pass through the intersection daily.

On August 3, 2004, the Board approved an agreement between the County and CALTRANS. In accordance with the agreement, the County and CALTRANS agree to share the cost of this project on an approximate split of County (25% share) and CALTRANS (75% share). The project will be for installation of traffic signals, construction of curbs, gutters and sidewalks at the affected corners, construction of handicap curb ramps, and a bus bay located where there is an existing bus stop at Wabash Avenue and State Route 38. The total project cost is estimated at \$563,600 with \$173,250 to be paid with CMAQ funds. The balance of \$390,350 will be shared by CALTRANS (\$287,762) and the County (\$102,588).

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The Department of Public Works Transportation Division (DPW-T) designed the project to CALTRANS standards. DPW-T requested RESD complete an appraisal and make offers to acquire two permanent road easements and one temporary right-of-entry required to complete this project. The necessary easements to be acquired are as follows:

Parcel No.	Ownership	Assessor's Parcel No.	Easement acquisition (square feet)
E-1	PAARK, LLC, and Andrew Gin Lee	0168-171-12	24,687
E-2	Joseph Clinton Camp	0298-041-09	254
TRE-4	Joseph Clinton Camp	0298-041-05	120

REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Charles S. Scolastico, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5481) on November 5, 2004; DPW-T (Richard Bronstrup, Transportation Design Division Chief, 387-7939) on November 8, 2004; and the County Administrative Office [Daniel R. Kopp (387-3828) and Tom Forster (387-4635) Administrative Analysts] on November 12, 2004.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The total project cost is estimated at \$563,600 including \$173,250 to be paid with federal CMAQ funds. The remaining costs of \$390,350 (\$563,600 - \$173,250) will be shared by CALTRANS (\$287,762) and the County (\$102,588). Funds for the County's share of the cost are included in the 2004-05 budget (SAA TRA).

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item, concurs with the department's and RESD's proposal, and recommends this action based on the need for signalization of the congested Wabash Avenue and State Highway 38 intersection to improve traffic flow and reduce vehicle emissions caused by prolonged idling of engines.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: Third

PRESENTER: David H. Slaughter, Director, 387-7813

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